# RUSSIA'S VAST SCHEMES

Slowly But Certainly Absorbing the Continent of Asia.

Japan Driven to the Wall, and North China Practically Under the Control of the Czar-Aiready Almost Within Hailing Distance of the Cates of the Capital of China.

Alexander Hume Ford, in the "Cosmopolftan" writes of the growth of Resian infuence and power in the far East in a way that, considering the present conditions in the Orient, makes his observations particularly interesting and timely. Extracts from Mr. Ford's article follow:

"At this moment Russia has encamped just beyond the southern terminus of her trans-Caspian railway, within forty miles of Herat, the key to India, a force of her pest soldiers, larger than our entire army of invasion of Cuba and Porto Rico. Extend at home and abroad, a force which Russia | South Africa could not but seriously encan mobilize within a few hours by a military railroad built for this particular purpose. And all along the line across Asia to the far-distant Pacific Russia is preparing herself in like manner to meet strength in Asia during the closing year and finally settle the Eastern question

"At the most distant extremity of her Asiatic possessions, within hailing distance of the gates of Pekn, the Czar has sta-tioned an advance guard of Cossacks, while behind them and within call is an army more vast than that on the borders of Afghanistan. Within a few months at most it is now confidently expected that Russian rails will connect both Herat and Pekin with St. Petersburg. The closing year of the nineteenth century may yet add more territory and people to Russia's domain, than has any full century in her history. As the only real rival to Russia's aggressiveness in the Orient is now South Africa, the time seems auspicious for the Czar to make good with comparative safety his startling claims to absor-lute supremacy in Asia.

# Frontier of 7,000 Miles.

"Along her 7,000 miles of Asiatic frontier Russia has for more than a year been extending an enormous military cordon,

"Persia, on the west, and Manchuria, in the Far East, are now well within the closing ends of the net, and any day may see the world officially notified that Russia's Aslatic frontier has been foreshortened by one-half and extends but from Bunder Abbas, on the Persian Gulf, to Perkin, the capital of China, for the lines of railway advancing from St. Petersburg in diverging directions to both these cities are guarded by myriads of Cossacks, while everywhere in the open country between,

Central Asian Pairond begins,
"One hundred and seventy miles foot this
place on the line of railrond we find 1,000
troops at Kizilwait, while 133 miles trther still there are 6,000 soldiers in garrison at Askabad; again, 215 miles farther on, at Mery, is a body of 7,000 C.s acks. From this point a spur of the railroad runs south to Kusik, near Herat, where it is said there are now gathered 40,000 Rus-field and an invading army of 169,000,

mounted soldiers at Samarcand; 170 miles beyond this, at the present terminus of the trans-Casplan branch, which is making its way northward to Omsk, on the Trans-Siberian Railway, is a garrison of 9,000 men. At Khojend, on the main line destined to cross China and in time reach Pekin, are men, only a few miles from Marcelan, where 5,000 troops are located. A small force is kept at Andijan, the present eastern terminus of the road, and at Namari-can, on the Syr-Darya River, a thousand

These figures do not begin to enumerate the real military strength of Russia in Central Asia, for her best fighters are frawn from the mounted tribesmen who, the number of many thousand, stand ready to give their lives for the great White Czar, and the pouring into this country from European Russia of countless regiments during the last few months has greatly altered the military status.

'Stretched along the border line in East-

ern Siberia and Manchuria Lord Charles in the Far East nearly two years ago, the following disposition of troops found the following disposition of the Czar: Troops at Vladivostock, 28,000; at Nikolskoe, 20,000; at Blagoveschinsk, 8,000; at

"The number of troops has been and is importing business to Newport News and being greatly augmented. In fact, while New Orleans, has secured a feet of twelve



ach will produce Constipation,

Indigestion, Dyspepsia. gans with the

now troops from Odessa are arriving at Port Arthur by water, 10,000 having reach-ed that fortress quite recently. To Lord Beresford's estimate should a so be added the Ochrania, or Cossacks, de-tailed for duty along the line of railway in Manchuria, besides the constantly arriv-ing new troops. So that today Russia's forces at the farther end of her military drag-net are probably considerably over

while at Ta-lien-wan, Moukden, New-chwang, Harbin, and other recently Rus-sianized Chinese cities were located thou-sands of soldiers, none of which garrisons is mentioned by Lord Beresford. Even

drag-net are probably considerably over 200,000 strong.

"Nor does Russia rely only on her rail-roads for means of invasion. Lo-d Beresford has pointed out that the breeding-ground of all Chinese horses, Mongolia, is practically in the hands of Russia; he might have also added with equal truth that at the other end of the net, in Central Asia Russia has an army of over five that at the other end of the net, in Central Asia, Russia has an army of over five million Kirghiz steeds, the best army horses in the world, while Great Britain's entire equine population is estimated at but something over half this number. So that along her line of Asiatic frontier Russia has stretched an army of half a million soldiers, with fully ten million horses and camels to mount them and supply pack trains for carrying provisious and forage across the desert.

"To offset this England has in India about 106,000 white men who would bear

about 100,000 white men who would bear of layasion of Cuba and Forto Rico. Extend
this radius back less than 300 miles and it
will encompass an eager fighting force
outnumbering our entire standing army
arms in time of war and 400,900 native
soldiers and police, who, if not disaffected, could be relied upon to defend her
Indian frontier, but serious setbacks in danger British superiority in Hindostan. France Helping Actively.

"This, then, in brief is an outline of Rus sia's and England's apparent military of the century, but from the southeas corner of Asia another military cordor 30,000 strong, is advancing northward and 30,000 strong, is advancing northward and westward, its two ends evidently destined to meet those of the Czar's advancing lines. France, Russia's ally, is forcing her way into China as she has never done before. Ignoring the protests of England and of British merchants in the Yangtzekiang Valley. French forces invade Southern China, and the echoes of the battles with the Chinese are heard in London and Paris in which latter capital deputies of Paris, in which latter capital deputies of the nation openly declare in public speech-es that France and England cannot long defer war with each other. From the House of Lords in London comes the de-spairing cry of the Earl of Rosebery, who on the 16th of February of the pres-ent year delivered himself of the follow-

ent year delivered himself of the following pertifient and timely remarkse before
his colleagues in the House of Lords:

"The crisis in South Africa is urgent,
but we must not keep our eyes on South
Africa alone. Last December the Government made vigorous overtures to two
great powers, Germany and the United
States, for an alliance, but those overtures
were not received with such cordiality as
to encourage the Government to pursue
them, it does not appear tha, the friendistribute itself around the outer edge of a seine net to drag the ocean for its myriads of unsuspecting fish. But the fish Russia is after are human; in number they constitute half the population of the globe, inhabiting, moreover, its richest and most inhabiting, moreover, its richest and most cently witnessed in Persia about which England would formerly have had something to say, but which she now passes thing to say, but which she now passes thing to say, but which she now passes "A system of military railroads has advanced with the Russian Army along the line of Asiatic frontier, so that a long stretch of steel rails practically forms the boundary line between the two great possessions, as well as a military bese of supplies amparalleled in magnitude of conception in the history of the world.

"Within the last few months the great military column thrown across Asia has become largely augmented and is assuming a sudden activity. Air along the line an advance is now being made. From Batum, on the Black Sea, to Vladivostok, on the Pacific Ocean, the immense human dragnet is closing in upon its prey. Latest reports indicate that even in Europe the net is being extended. Sevastopol, in the Crimea, is now being fortified and garrisoned as a base of operation.

"Tersia, on the west, and Manchuria, in the Far East, are now well within the closing ends of the net, and any day may

way projected and new garrisons arriving.

"It is not possible, perhaps, to learn the exact number of soldiers stationed along far as the head of navigation of the Amoor Afready, today, it is possible for militude delay as far as the head of navigation of the Amoor this outer line, but in times of peace, bides the heavy garrison at the impregnation of the Black Sea, there are outposts innumerable in the Cautasus country. About the Persian froatier, its reported, there are new stationed more than 100,000 Cossacks, while at Baku more than 100,000 Cossacks, while at Baku more than 100,000 Cossacks, while at Baku train on the shores of the Caspian Sa to be borne by the magnificent verse's of the control of the train on the shores of the Caspian Sa to be borne by the magnificent verse's of the control of the train on the shores of the Caspian Sa to be borne by the magnificent verse's of the control of the train on the shores of the Caspian Sa to be borne by the magnificent verse's of the Caspian Sa to be borne by the magnificent verse's of the Caspian Sa to be borne by the magnificent verse's of the Caspian Sa to be borne by the magnificent verse's of the Caspian Sa to be borne by the magnificent verse's of the Caspian Sa to be borne by the magnificent verse's of the Caspian Sa to be borne by the magnificent verse's of the Caspian Sa to be borne by the magnificent verse's of the Caspian Sa to be borne by the magnificent verse's of the Caspian Sa to be borne by the magnificent verse's of the Caspian Sa to be borne by the magnificent verse's of the Caspian Sa to be borned by the magnificent verse's of the Caspian Sa to be borned by the magnificent verse's of the Caspian Sa to be borned by the magnificent verse's of the Caspian Sa to be borned by the magnificent verse's of the Caspian Sa to be borned by the magnificent verse's of the Caspian Sa to be borned by the magnificent verse's of the Caspian Sa to be borned by the magnificent verse's of the Caspian Sa to be borned by the magnificent verse's of the Caspian Sa to be borned by the magnificent verse's of the Caspian Sa to be borned by the magnificent verse's of the Caspian Sa to be borned by the magnificent verse's of the Caspian Sa as short work of the Boers as was anticipated, while Russia has practically estab-lished through overland communication across Siberia.

"Japan's opportunity to wrest Korea fleet and an invading army of 169,000, said there are now gathered 40,000 f.ussian troops. At Charjui, 147 miles east of
Mery, on the main line, is a small garnison
of 1,000 men, while 300 miles up the Oxus
from this point, in easy communication by
river steamer, are 3,000 more troops.

"Again, on the main line of road, 225
miles beyond the Oxus, are 6,000 well."

Then again, Port Arthur is a second. gether from every part of he land by rail. Then, again, Port Arthur is a second Gibraltar, Vladivostok is in ideal fortification, and Newchwang is several miles up the river with a bar tha "huts out heavy war vessels, and these are Pussia's railway termini in the Far East.

"War in the near future is the talk in Japan, and every British victory in Africa is hailed with rejoicing by the hardy little islanders. Few who have not visited Japan realize how the 40,000,000 population crowd the little island. It is expansion or

pan realize now the 40,000,000 population crowd the little island. It is expansion or absolute ruin that faces Japan. New territory must be acquired for her surplus population. Japan will fight fo. Korea with the determination of despair, for she knows that failure may mean national extinction. "But England enters the situation. Her naval strength in the Far Fast is result."

naval strength in the Far East is usually have been bitten by monsters in this terequal to the representation of all other ritory and in no case was the contact the nations combined. Japan and England tault of the reptile, which is practically would probably have the preponderance of harmless on account of his slowness of would probably have the preponderance of naval power on the Pacific, even if the French and German war vessels in the Far East could be counted as Russia's allies; and what effect the entrance of our Phil-ippine fleet of American warships upon the scene is to have on the future who can say? But Russia has prepared for the situation."

# A Fleet of Fruit Stenmers.

NEWPORT NEWS, Va., June 30 .- It is reported on good authority that the Tropical Fruit and Steamship Company, which was recently organized to conduct a fruitsteamships, which will be put on between those ports and the South Atlantic fruit countries. A fleet of six ships will ply in and out of Newport News, and the same number will run to New Orleans. There will be three fruit steamers a week here, and if the company makes satisfactory ar-rangements with the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway fast trains will be put on to take the fruit to the West.

A Young Sailor Disappears. PETERSBURG, Va., June 30 .-- William Tone up the Parker, twenty years of age, employed on digestive or the barge Merjorie, now moo ed at the or- the barge Marjorie, now mooted at the gaus with the Bitters and wharf here, has been missing since Sundou will have vigorous, hearty health. If your stomach is weak, don't fail to often it a trial to often it and the may have been drowned. Parker left the barge what force is the many than the missing since Sunday, and the missing since Sunday, and the missing since Sunday, and the may have been missing since Sunday, and the may have been drowned. Parker left the barge where the may have been drowned. Parker left the barge where the may have been drowned. Parker left the barge where the may have been drowned. Parker left the barge where the may have been drowned. Parker left the barge where the may have been drowned. Parker left the barge where the may have been drowned. Parker left the barge where abouts. It is feared that he may have been drowned. Parker left the barge where a took left the may have been drowned. Parker left the barge where a took left the may have been drowned. Parker left the barge where the may have been drowned. Parker left the barge where the may have been drowned. Parker left the barge where the may have been drowned. Parker left the may have been drowned. give it a trial, on Queen Street, Philadelphia.



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RARE RELICS OF BABYLON. Explorer Hilprec'it Reports the Most Important Discoveries.

PHILADELPHIA, June 30.-Prof. Herthe East to superintend the excavations in Assyria and Babylon, representing the University of Pennsylvania, describes in a letter dated Nippur, Babylonia, the im- from Copper Jack, caused a change in my portant results of his journey. He says:

"Although the former two expeditions

have been of the greatest moment for the evelopment of historic science, it is nevertheless but correct to assert that they are not to be compared with the important discoveries of this year in the topagraphical, architectural and literary line. The results of our researches exceed everything that has so far been known about Babylon. We found the great temple li-brary and priest school of Nippur which had been destroyed by the Elamites 228 years before Christ. The library consists of 16.000 volumes written on stones, and overs the entire theological, astronomical, inguistic, and mathematical knowledge of hose days. We also unearthed a collecion of letters and biographies, deciphered of inestimable value to the student of ancient history. The net result of our jour-ney consists so far of 23,000 stones writ-

Great Northern Gate if Nippur that were built 5,000 years before Christ were rescued from their covers of ruins and destroyed streets. I was especially delighted to find the old royal palace and the oldest government building of Nippur. "It is a matter of great concern to me to reconstruct the great national sancium."

amount of objects of art, gots and silver amulets, and other antiquities.

"Aside from the loss of one of the Arabians of our company, who was ambushed and shot by a tribe of hostile Bedouins, we were uncommonly successful. I shall devote the next two months to the exploration of South Bebylon Assertices. ploration of South Babylon, Assyria, and hall arrive at Constantinople and will express my thanks to the Turkish Government for its kind protection. From there I will go to Jena, Germany, so that I may be enabled peaceably to digest and systematize the results of this expedition, and initend to return to Philadelphia at the hazinning of October."

of vaqueros, gammas, breed village loafers.

After a supper of peppery Mexican dishes, for which neither Mr. Coles nor I had any relish, we sat under the portales, smoked our cigars, and observed the people moving about the courtyard and in and out of the cuttina. The saloon was a lively of the courtyard and first tequilar where red or the analysis of vaqueros, gammas, and the province of the saloon of the courty and the province of the courty and the province of the province Cappadocia. At the latter part of July I shall arrive at Constantinople and will ex-

movement.

John Bostic was bitten at the Tip T p mine in 1877 and dled six months later.

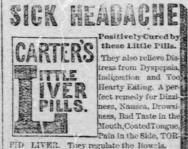
Death was preceded by paraysis. A Frenchman was bitten at Fairbacks in 1883, Frenchman was bitten at Fairbanks in 1883, got drunk, and died in three and one-half hours, no doubt of alcoholism. Wa'ter Vait, the well-known cattleman of Pantan', now of Los Angeles, was bitten ten years ago on the hand. It was so long before he could disengage the monster and obtain surgical assistance that he nearly lost his hand.

Cruelty to the Overworked.

(From the Chicago Record.)

Bookkeepr—It', a little early in the sease
I feel as if i must have a rest."

Employer—Well, stop talking politics in



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Fighting in the Dark With Would-Be Marderer.

he Unpleasant Adventure of a Min Superintendent in an Old Mexica Meson-Moving Walls a Feature the Circumstance-The Carious Ecape Made by a Desperate Assass:

CIUDAD JUAREZ, Mexico, June 4 .- F. ore than ten years was employed the mines of the Copper Jack Company i the State of Sonora, Mexico, Prior to the I was a professional prospector. I foun number of valuable mines, and mad and lost several fortunes on my own ac count; but a protracted spell of bad luccompelled me to seek employment with a sestablished concern, and I accepted the po sition of surface superintendent of th Copper Jack Company's property. Amor my other duties I made a bronco trip on ach month to the Bisbee bank and ca. ried out the money for the payroll. I was a considerable sum, since the con pany employed 130 peons, besides th skilled American miners; and there wer other employes of course to be paid, was 145 miles from Bisbee to the min and the trail lay along a sandy deser upon which nothing grew but cacti, the gaunt Adam's needle, the maguey, and low man V. Hilbrecht, the Babyl nian explorer, mesquite. I was accompanied always b who, in the spring of this year, went to a guard of three or four men, since—espe a galard of three of Billy the Kid—ther was constant danger of a holdup. The construction of a railroad, which ter minated at Ojo Calientes, seventy mile

plan. The long pony ride was abandone for the short one, and part of the trip i Bisbee was made by rail. This lessence the distance of the overland ride by half The mountains through which I had not to pass were filled with mingre and pros pectors, and I no longer considered as

armed escort as necessary.

Half way between the inne and the rail road there was an old Mexican town calle Monclova. It was founded by the Spanis in the early days of discovery and adven-ture, and for the past 100 years has had no more nor less than about 2,000 inhabi-tants. I always made the distrace from Copper Jack to Ojo and from Ojo to Cop-per Jack in two days. Monelova was connient for staying the intervening night are there was a fairly good meson, o notel, there-a carious old adobe built the Spanish as a fortress in which to tak efuge when the Indians were troublesome t was a square, brown, windowles tructure, with a great courtyard and port oles along the roof.

About four years ago I met Mr. Fran Coles, one of the Eastern directors of the Copper Jack, at Bisbee. He was out Wes for the first time, and was on his way t inspect the property. When we left Bis bee I had \$21,000 of the company's mone: didn't tell Mr. Coles for fear he weel uneasy traveling across a wild n "It is a matter of great concern to me to reconstruct the great national sanctuary of old Babylon, the Temple of Bel at Nippur. As tangible results of our researches we accumulated an astonishing amount of objects of art, gold and silver amulets, and other antiquities. "Aside from the loss of one of the Arabians of our company, who was ambushed below the a tribe of hostlie Bedouins."

intended to get an early start in the morning and drive in a buckboard to Monclows by night, and the next day, with Tresh horses, to reach Copper Jack. The meson was crowded with a miscellaneous thron-

diverging directions to both these cities are guarded by myriads of Cossacks, while everywhere in the open country between, along the base of the triangle, newly established forts are springing up, new railways projected and new garrisons arriving.

Vigilant Outposts.

The salt those rails the beginning of October."

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The salcon was a lively place, where red or the and fiery tequita and mescal enlivened a roystering, swaggering lot of cow-punchers, grizzly prospectors, and pink-shirted Mexican monte that now lies rotting along the Trans-Siberian Railroad for lack of cars to transport it, in time of war would cuickly find its way to the camp of the arrivant of the beginning of October."

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Had the mules become fightened or hid my belt and from my belt to my coat, two rocks he saw two Gila monsters in peaceful slumber. He tied their tails to-bled a thousand feet down the mountain. I knew the landlord's thought, and it is not a started back for camp. Passing between they made a misstep we would have tumble to my belt and from my belt to my coat, which I had tossed on the edge of the bed. I knew the landlord's thought, and it peaceful slumber. He tied their tails together and slinging them across the other end of his gun, which he lay across his shoulders, he proceeded to camp, the Gila monsters swaying to and fro in the morning breeze. They swayed so close to Mr. Mann that one of them nipped his shirt but omitted the skin. Then Mr. Mann swayed some and the other monster fastenday which would inspire an arriero at more than the state of the skin. Then Mr. Mann swayed some and the other monster fastenday which would inspire an arriero a precedent which would inspire an arriero. swayed some and the other monster fastened upon his arm, cutting through the thick
shirt sleeve. It was an awfully heavy
monster. It bit into a section of the arm
an inch and a half long and half an inch
deep, but clung to the shirt. Mr. Mann
reached the camp and pressing all the
blood he could out of the wound, applied
common saleratus, which every Arizonian
who expects to make bread carries with
who expects to make bread carries with

common saleratus, which every Arizonian who expects to make bread carries with him.

At a station a little way beyond he got some ammonia and put on the wound. He has since felt no other inconvenience than arrow value. It was a quaint adobe villey. It was a quaint adobe villey. trouble. The Gila monster is evidently not a poisonous reptile, but a foul one. He takes things into his stomach and keeps them there so long that he has a bad and poisonous breath. He never cleans his teeth, or rather his heave given as the lies. We enjoyed the poisonous breath the never cleans his one had an upper story with pender-poisonous breath. narrow valley. It was a quaint adobe vil poisonous breath. He never cleans his teeth, or rather his heavy gums, so that people who are bitten by him are not intrequently troubled with blood poisoning. In this case the monster wiped his teeth on his victim's shirt.

There is quite an array of persons who have been bitten by monsters in this term. the patio where the mesonero well omed us with great gusto. To his discount g eye Mr. Coles was a person of considerable importance, and he knew that I was su-face superintendent of the Copper Jack and that I made a monthly trip to Bisboe

and that I made a monthly trip to Birde to get the payroll of the company.

He was an avaricious, cunaing little man, with small, fat hands and almost imperceptible black eyes that danced under heavy down-drawn brows. He wore a shable dust the property of the control of the c shabby, dusty-brown suit, outlandish tan shoes, and a black derby hat of ancient block. By way of being cordial is invited us to drink, so we crossed the invited us to drink, so we crossed the in and entered the cantina. To please the total we asked for tequila and salt, in neither Mr. Coles, who never tasted the liquor before, nor myself relished. But the mesonero, when he swallowed the liquor and licked the salt from the back of his hand, smacked his lips for joy of the delicate flavor that lingered on his palate. Then he fumbled in the upper pockets of his vest for cigars, and as he threw back the lapel of his coat I saw the curiously which handle of an old Spanish poniard. He was a very inquisishoes, and a black derby hat of ancient spanish poniard. He was a very inquisitive person and endeavored to draw us on to talk about ourselves, and especially Mr. Coles. But he received slight grati-

Courteously Bidden Good-Night. When we had supped and smoked and were ready to retire the mesonero approached and said he would show us to our rooms. He carried a candle and walked before us. We climbed the stairs leading from the patio and followed a long ing from the batto and lonowed a long gallery. The mesonero stopped in front of a dark, windowless apartment and said it was Mr. Coie's room; and then two doors farther he ushered me into my own. It was a curious apartment. There was a

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curiosity.

"I wish you a pleasant night's sleep, senor," he said.

"Thank you," I replied, indifferently, and then, "we would like our team at daybreak," I added.

"I understand you go to Bisbee once a month?" said the mesonero, with a simulated cough.

"Quite true," I answered.

"You used to have a guard before the railroad came, senor."

"I am never without one," I answered, throwing my belt and pistols on the bed and removing my are some and what the size of the fiend that had attacked me I could not tell. But the stood with one hand extended and the other raised to strike the momgat he should touch me I did not doubt. I kept my pistol pointed to the front, and my p Then I advanced another step and moved my hand again. What the shape and color and what the size of the fiend that had advanced to have the picasure of Monclova I hope to have the picasure of Monclova I hop it was a man for I had wrestied with him and he had tried my strength. I someface and his blinking, wicked eyes; but it was only a vision and would vanish. Once it seemed I felt his presence, and I turned my head to the left. There was only dark-

As feagh of groed my way to the way. Bowellow, with a nideolog ginnee at the monor bag.

"Good night," I replied, "and remember the monor of the miles of money under my pillow, closed the door, proposed a chair against it—for there w. a no key in the monor of the miles of money under my pillow, closed the door, proposed a chair against it—for there w. a no key in the monor of the miles of money under my pillow, closed the door, proposed a chair against it—for there w. a no key in the monor of the miles of money under my plants, and the contract of the miles of money under my plants, and the contract of the miles of money under my plants, and the contract of the miles of th "Good night," I replied, "and remem- from the bed. I came upon the table. 1 the way they make it in Washington:

bunk in one corner, a table holding a tinplated bowl and pitcher, a towel, two
chairs with buckskin bottoms, and a frayed
yellow mat that covered a portion of the
stone floor. The door was the only source
of ventilation. The room was papered
with spotted crushed strawberry paper,
which had a bloody appearance in the
finereal glow of the tallow dip; it per
sented many fantastic images in the mellow light. The mesonero, after a moment,
lighted the glass lamp and hesitated to
leave, as if actuated by some unsatisfied
curiosity.

"I wish you a pleasant night's sleep,
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senter." I be said.

"I wish you a pleasant night's sleep,
should touch me I did not doubt. I kept
my pistol pointed to the front, and my
still all was silent in the darkness around
me. I stepped a pace or two and stooping
moved my hand back and forth near the
floor. I imagined the robber before me,
then behind, and then crouching near the
should touch me I did not doubt. I kept
my pistol pointed to the front, and my
was steaded and
still all was silent in the darkness around
me. I stepped a pace or two and stooping
walked across the patio. The wooden gate
opened and a mezo entered with our team
and buckboard. He turned round in
the permanee. I toesed the hand satchel containing the Copper Jack's money on a s.at.
Then I said "Twenty-one theusand dollars are in that grip, Mr. Coces," and I
raised my voice, for I saw the door of the
should touch me I did not doubt. I kept
my pistol pointed to the front, and
we stood and two greedy, danc ng eyes my pocket an ancient Spanish poniard, l

York Sun.

A DRINK TO STEER AWAY FROM. Mamie Taylor a Demon Far Ahead

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At length I groped my way to the wall, ington and said to be new to the parched gullets of the national capital. It is called the money bag.

"Good night, senor," he said, and he bowed low, with a sidelong glance at the money bag.

"Good night." I replied "and remove the from the bed. I came more that the "Mamie Taylor." To New Yorkers the only thing about it is the name. This is

appeared to move, and directly, it seemed, the room grew to half its common size. I looked at my light and saw that the oil was half gone, so I turned the flame low and resolved to keep a vigil. And here I have lain, pistol in hand, all the night long."

"Your imagination, perhaps," I suggested.

"Not at all. I would swear the walls liams, Third Street and Pennsylvania Aresone,—14.

